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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH SAUDI ARABIA

REF: STATE 179808 (16 AUG. 74)

1. IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIS ON DRAFT AGREEMENT
YOU SHOULD SEEK FOLLOWING MINOR TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS UNLESS
YOU BELIEVE ANY PROPOSED AMENDMENTS BY U.S. WILL FURTHER
DELAY SAUDI ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT.

A. IN REFTTEL PARA 3, FIRST SENTENCE, INSERT WORDS,
"OR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT" BETWEEN WORDS, "SPECIFIC PROJECTS"
AND "WILL BE RECEIVED". IN LAST SENTENCE INSERT THE WORDS,
"OR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT REQUESTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
SAUDI ARABIA", BETWEEN WORDS, "TWO GOVERNMENTS" AND "SHALL
BE IMPLEMENTED".

B. IN PARA 4 INSERT WORDS, "OR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT RE-
QUESTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA", BETWEEN WORDS
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"PARAGRAPH 3" AND "WILL BE SUPPORTED".

C. AT END OF PARA 7 ADD CLAUSE "AND THE GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA WILL PAY ANY COSTS NOT SET FORTH IN THE APPROVED ESTIMATE WHICH ARE INCURRED AS A RESULT OF TERMINATION OF AN APPROVED PROJECT OR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT UNDERTAKEN AT ITS REQUEST."

2. DESIRABILITY OF FOREGOING AMENDMENTS WOULD BE TO ENSURE SAUDIS WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY COSTS ACCRUED BY USG AGENCIES IN DEVELOPING PROJECTS AT SAUDI REQUEST EVEN IF SAUDIS ULTIMATELY DECLINED TO APPROVE PROJECTS. AMENDMENT TO PARA 7 IS SELF-EXPLANATORY.
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